

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: April 21, 2004

Division: BOCC

Bulk Item: Yes ___ No x

Department: DISTRICT 5

AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Proclamation recognizing April, 2004 as Fair Housing and Community Development Month

ITEM BACKGROUND: Annually, the BOCC has read the proclamation that the Month of April is Fair Housing and Community Development Month. In addition, such recognition by Monroe County is evidence of support for the principles embodied in the national fair housing legislation. Demonstration of local support for these principals is a DCA requirement for various housing grant programs. Because the BOCC meeting is late in the Month of April 2004, this proclamation will follow an article that will appear in several of the County newspapers announcing the month of April 2004 as Fair Housing and Community Development Month.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION: Annual proclamation.

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

TOTAL COST: \$0.00

BUDGETED: Yes ___ No ___

COST TO COUNTY: \$0.00

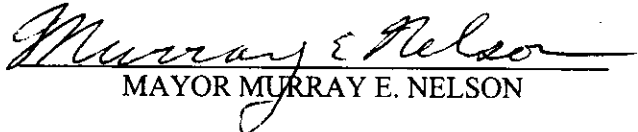
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes ___ No X

AMOUNT PER: Month ___ Year ___

APPROVED BY: County Attorney. ___ OMB/Purchasing ___ Risk Management ___

DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:


MAYOR MURRAY E. NELSON

DOCUMENTATION: Included XX To Follow ___ Not Required ___

DISPOSITION: _____

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Mayor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, The federal law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which is known as the Federal Fair Housing Act, state and local Fair Housing laws, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, disability, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, family status, and age, in the sale, rental or financing of housing; and

WHEREAS, The Monroe County housing policy is evidence of support for the principles embodied in this national fair housing legislation; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County's Special Programs Office (Monroe County Housing Authority) promotes, monitors and investigates Fair Housing for Monroe County; and

WHEREAS, This declaration is an annual proclamation and this year it will coincide with National Community Development Week, April 12 - 18, 2004, celebrating 30 years of the Community Development Block Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, The Florida Department of Community Affairs will be hosting a Community Development Day at the Capitol tentatively scheduled for April 12th;

NOW THEREFORE, by the virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor of Monroe County, Florida, I, Murray E. Nelson, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2004 as

FAIR HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

WITNESS my hand and seal of the County of Monroe, this 21st day of April, 2004


MAYOR MURRAY E. NELSON